

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1864.

The mountains—they proclaim
The everlasting creed of Liberty!
That creed is written on the untrodden snow,
That's written on the peaks which no power can hold,
Save that of God when he sends forth his cold,
And breath'd by winds that through the free heaven blow.

THANKSGIVING.—Gov. Lyon, it appears, did notice the President's Proclamation appointing a day of Thanksgiving, but it was issued from the press, says the Lewiston Age, only the day previous to the time appointed by the President. It was observed there by preaching, adjournment of the Legislature, destroying turkeys, &c.

Hon. E. D. Holbrook has been declared by Gov. Lyon, in a proclamation dated Nov. 14, the duly elected Member of Congress from Idaho Territory for the term of two years. Mr. Holbrook will take his seat on the 4th of March, 1865, at the beginning of the 39th session.

Mr. Blake, of the Humboldt Express, has furnished us with a large package of papers from all parts of the world, including pictorials, magazines, &c. They receive a large supply on the weekly arrival of the Express, and keep them for sale at the office on Main street.

Nor So.—The Oregonian of Dec. 6th, contains a statement that Judge Beatty of this place, had a difficulty at Rocky Bar lately with Dr. Terry, and that Judge Beatty was shot and would die, &c. The whole thing is an entire fabrication. Judge B. never has had any difficulty with Dr. T.—and has not been at Rocky Bar for some months, and is alive and well.

THE IDAHO is the name given to a new war steamer lately launched on Long Island. She was built with a view of swiftness combined with strength, and is designed as a chaser of blockade runners. She is to carry a heavy battery of twelve guns of long range, and is bark-rigged, and fitted with double acting engines, driving two propellers twenty-four feet in diameter. She is expected to make 15 knots an hour.

THE SNOW.—Mr. Howard Bledsoe, W. F. & Co.'s messenger, informed us that when he crossed the Blue mountains last week, the snow was about six feet deep, and still coming down. In Grand Ronde it was about six inches. Powder River Valley, one foot. On Burnt River, four inches. There was some snow all along Snake River to the Payette. For twenty-five miles along the Payette river there was no snow. The alkali in the sand along the latter stream, and the porous nature of the ground, prevented its accumulation.

ORO FINO.—The Age says that little mining is going on now at Oro Fino. "The great part of the mining population are sitting around their cabin fires, reading novels, &c., while the mercantile portion are puffing their pipes and cigars about their stoves with faces darkly cerulean in hue." Mr. Davidson, the expressman, thinks it will be a lively camp again in the Spring, as there will be twice the ground worked in 1865 that there was in 1864—first, because Chinamen will take up what the white men will refuse; and, secondly, because the white man has an abundance of good ground yet.

MURDER ON THE PAYETTE.—We learn that a man by the name of Casey Stone was killed on the 7th of Dec., on the Payette river, by Charles Haight. The killing occurred at Thompson's ranch, about ten miles this side of the crossing. Stone was a son-in-law of Thompson. Stone had accused Haight of stealing some horses, and demanded their value. Haight agreed to pay for them, and went to Thompson's ranch in company with Stone to make the payment. After weighing out the money, Haight drew a knife and stabbed Stone through the back, splitting open his heart, and killing him instantly. He then jumped on a horse and started towards Oregon.

THREE SUSPICIOUS CHARACTERS, as they are called by the Chronicle, have been arrested at Victoria on suspicion of being highwaymen and robbers from Idaho Territory. Their names are given as Lawrence Dooligan, George Smith and James Murphy. Dooligan proved to be the identical Jack Brockey, accused of killing a driver and robbing a stage between Boise city and Salt Lake. A Portland detective took him in charge. A Police officer testified that Dooligan stole a horse at Lillooet in '61 and escaped with it to Oregon. Dooligan made a statement to the Court as to his whereabouts during the past few years, which was to the effect that in 1860 he worked for Mr. Clarkson at road-making at New Westminster; afterwards worked on the Boundary Line; next went to Cariboo and worked as a miner; got broke and worked as a packer; then worked at Alberni, got kicked by an ox on the knee, and caught the small pox; went to San Francisco and had the rheumatism; next piloted a ship to Alberni, and lost an anchor, &c.; then went to Colorado and worked as a quartz miner. The prisoners were remanded for one week.

THE PERSONNEL OF THE IDAHO ASSEMBLY.

Lewiston, Dec. 6th, 1864.

EDITOR WORLD: I have taken much trouble to ascertain the age, nativity and occupation of the several members of the Assembly, as it is composed this Winter, and also the length of time they have respectfully resided upon this Coast. If you think it will be of sufficient interest to your readers, it is subject to your disposal.

Hon. Alexander Blakely, of Idaho county, Speaker of the House, is a native of Tennessee—was born in 1829, and consequently is now 35 years old. He is a printer by trade, and was formerly one of the proprietors, and editor, I believe, of the Jacksonville Sentinel. He has resided in this Territory about two years. He is an active, energetic, young man, and makes a courteous and prompt presiding officer.

Hon. E. C. Latta, of the same county, was born in Nashville, Tennessee, and is 33 years of age. His father moved to Arkansas while Mr. Latta was still a young man. From that State he emigrated to California in the year 1850, where he resided until 1862, at which time he went to Florence, his present residence. Mr. Latta has no profession, but he is a man of considerable ability, of strict integrity, and in every sense a "bed rock" man.

Hon. — Hasbrook, of Owyhee county, is a native of New York,—was born in 1833,—and is the youngest member, with one exception, in the House. He is one of the most vigilant and attentive Committee members in the House. He is very quiet in his seat, but his keen perception and prompt action, makes him continually alive to the interests of his constituents.

Hon. E. C. Sterling, of the same county, is a native of Pennsylvania, and is 35 years of age—has never been married—came to California in 1850. He is a very quiet, unassuming gentleman, but firm and prompt in his duties, and always in his seat during the sessions.

Owyhee has a very fair delegation. It is Republican in politics, but they are not professional politicians, mining being their chosen occupations.

Hon. W. H. Howard, of Alturas, is a native of Georgia, and is 33 years of age. He crossed the Plains to California in 1850. He subsequently resided for some time in Southern Oregon. He has followed nearly all kinds of business—like most of the old pioneers of the Coast—from sticking type in a printing office to driving a train of mules. He is unmarried. He is an active, diligent, Representative, and from the number of bills and resolutions he has introduced in the House with special reference to his own county, it is evident that he is posted in regard to the wants of his constituents.

Hon. W. A. Goulder, Representative from Shoshone county, is a native of Virginia, and is 43 years of age. In 1845 he came to Oregon, where he resided until 1861. In that year he immigrated to this Territory, and settled in Shoshone county, and has since followed the business of mining. He has no profession, and was never married. During the sessions he is always in his place, and constantly on the alert in regard to the interests of his constituents, and is often up in debate. He was elected on the Republican ticket.

Hon. Thomas M. Reed, of Nez Perce, is a native of Kentucky, and is aged 39. He is married, and a lawyer by profession. Mr. Reed was Speaker of the House of Representatives of Washington Territory during the session of 1862. He is a leading man on his side of the House in all debates.

Hon. George Zeigle, of the same county, is a native of Baltimore, Maryland. He is 34 years old, and not married. He is a punctual attendant and appears to be a very quiet, clever gentleman.

Hon. Jos. McIntosh, of Boise county, is a native of Georgia, and has resided a number of years in New York. He is 30 years of age, and a bachelor. He immigrated to this Territory from Pike's Peak about two years ago. He is always present in his seat, but seldom participates in debate.

Hon. W. H. Parkinson of Boise, is a native of Ohio, and is about 43 years old—the oldest member of the House. He is one of the active, working members. He came to California in an early day, where his family now reside. He has evidently considerable law-making ability, and has by his age, and strictly upright and courteous course, won the esteem of the whole House.

Hon. John B. Pierce, of Boise county, is a native of Kentucky, and is about 37 years of age. He was married in Missouri, and crossed the Plains to Oregon in 1850. In the Spring of 1857 he settled in Siskiyou county, California, and continued to reside there until the Spring of 1862. He was one of the early pioneers of Boise Basin, arriving in Idaho Territory early in 1862. He has been engaged exclusively in mining (barring a slight sprinkling of politics.) He is an industrious, hard-working member, devoting most of his time to laws of a general character, and the good of his own county—especially to its ranches, which are in a very bad way, if we are to believe his remarks in

a recent speech in the House. Mr. Pierce has acquired a reputation here of being a pointed and logical debater, and is on his feet oftener than any member of the Assembly.

Hon. B. C. Riggs is also a native of Kentucky, but came to Oregon in an early day—is about 40 years of age—and has been, I believe, Mayor of Corvallis, Oregon. He is a man of fine appearance, and business qualifications, and would make a useful member, if he was not troubled with "Territorial Capital" and "Boise City" on the brain. The only things he has asked for yet, for Boise City, are the Territorial Capital, a Branch Mint, an Assay Office, a Distributing Post Office, and a division of Boise county and the location of the County Seat at that place. Most of these measures would be beneficial to Idaho Territory, but the benefit of them should, in my opinion, be distributed among the several towns and localities in the Territory.

Hon. John Duvall was born in Missouri—came to Oregon in an early day, and served one session in the Oregon Legislature. He is a bachelor, and 35 years of age. He is an energetic member, and participates very freely in debate.

Such is the personnel of the Assembly. In another communication I will give you the homography of the Council.

A LOOKER ON.

How Boise County Affairs are Managed.

[From the Lewiston Age.]

In our own Territory, this has not been done—the letter of the law has been almost totally disregarded in Boise county. The revenue enactment of the last Session is certainly susceptible of improvement; but the root of financial evil, just now, is in county management; and there is where the blow must fall that would strike it down. Officials in the county mentioned, through their negligence, if nothing worse, have actually laid themselves liable to serious penalties. The forty-seventh section of the revenue law reads as follows:

On delivering the certified copy of the assessment roll to the Tax Collector, the Auditor shall charge the Tax Collector with the full amount of the taxes levied, and shall forthwith transmit by mail, to the Territorial Auditor, a statement of the amount so charged, and shall also, at the same time, transmit to the Territorial Auditor, a statement of the number of poll tax receipts delivered to the Tax Collector, and the number of the said receipt returned to him on settlement. The Auditor, by such conveyance as the Territorial Auditor, either by general or special order, may direct, and shall at the same time, make out and transmit, by mail, a statement of all Territorial and county licenses issued in the county since his last settlement in regard thereto, giving the number and aggregate amount of each kind of license issued.

The "statements" to be sent to the Territorial Auditor, as comprehended above, HAVE NEVER BEEN SENT AT ALL, by the Boise county official, and several thousand blank poll-tax receipts forwarded there, through the proper channel, have never been accounted for; AND NOTHING HAS BEEN HEARD FROM HIM, officially, and in due form, SINCE THOSE BLANKS WERE SENT, save a receipt therefor. So this section has been entirely disregarded.

Section fifty-one reads thus: The County Auditor shall, on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in each month, report to the Territorial Auditor, the amount of money in the county treasury belonging to the Territory, stating specifically in said report the amount received from each source of revenue; prior to making which report he shall examine the books of the County Treasurer, and shall administer to the Treasurer an oath, declaring that said books are correct, and that all the money received by him for or on account of the Territory, has been duly entered therein. The Territorial Auditor shall forward to the Auditor blank forms for the accounts to be rendered and for the oath to be taken under this section, and the Auditor shall from time to time furnish the Tax Collector with a sufficient number of licenses taking his receipt therefor.

The Territorial Auditor has complied with his part of these duties; but he has not received from the County Auditor of Boise any such reports as are contemplated above. And this section has been utterly disregarded.

Section eighty-three reads:

The treasurers of the respective counties shall at all times hold themselves in readiness to settle and pay all moneys in their hands whenever required so to do by an order signed by the Auditor and Treasurer of the Territory; and the Treasurer and Auditor are hereby authorized to draw such orders whenever they deem it proper. The Treasurers shall, on the second Mondays in March, June, September, and December, in each year, settle in full with the Auditor, and pay over in cash to the Treasurer of the Territory all funds which shall have come into their hands as county treasurers, for the use and benefit of the Territory, taking therefor a receipt from the Treasurer of the Territory, which receipt he shall forthwith file with the Auditor.

Such conjoint orders for moneys due have been frequently sent to the Treasurer of Boise county; and that county has never paid over moneys due the Territory but once. The quarterly settlements demanded, and urgently called for by the Territorial officials, have not been accorded. And this section has been disregarded.

Section ninety-nine of the revenue law reads: Whenever any Assessor, Collector, Auditor, Treasurer, or other officer upon whom any duty devolved under this act, or under any other revenue act of this Territory, wilfully neglect or refuse to perform any such duties, or shall perform them in a careless or incompetent manner, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be removed from office in the manner prescribed by law.

And this section, it seems, has been defied and treated with contempt.

We have before us a report of the Grand Jury of Boise county, of September 23d, 1864. In that report we find it stated that the County Treasurer then held in his hands, of Territorial funds, \$11,273.00 in gold dust, and \$475 in Legal Tenders—NOW A CENT of which, although it has been called for, HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE CAPITAL.

But the Boise county officials, not satisfied with tramping under foot the restrictions and directions of the Revenue Law, have actually essayed to nullify a special enactment of the Territorial Legislature. The following we take from the Statutes of last Winter,

entitled "An Act relating to certain County Treasurers:—"

SECTION 1. The County Treasurers of the counties of Nez Perce, Idaho, Boise and Shoshone shall, on or before the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, pay over to the Territorial Treasurer of the Territory of Idaho, all moneys held by them as such county Treasurers for the use of the Territory under and by virtue of any law of Washington Territory.

Sec. 2. The Territorial Treasurer is hereby required to receive from any and all moneys thus paid by said County Treasurers, or any of them, and receipt for the same to said Treasurers, which receipt shall discharge them from all liabilities.

Sec. 3. For a failure to comply with the provisions of this Act, they, and their sureties, shall be liable on their official bonds.

In this Grand Jury report we see it stated that the Board of County Commissioners of Boise instructed the County Treasurer not to account to the Territorial Treasurer for moneys collected in 1863, AND HE NEVER HAS. But his official bonds are responsible under the general law, for thus misapplying the Territory's funds. Section eighty-three of the Revenue Law reads thus:

If any Tax Collector or County Treasurer shall, either directly or indirectly, use, loan, employ or in any manner place out of his possession, otherwise than on special deposit, any funds belonging to, or collected by, or paid to him for the use and benefit of either the Territory or any county, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and of conviction thereof, shall be forthwith removed from office, and shall also be punished by a fine in any sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, or imprisonment in the Territorial prison for any time not exceeding one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

We have used the case of Boise county to illustrate the principles laid down at the beginning of this article. It matters not how efficient the general principles of a revenue law may be, it is a failure if its details are not complied with. By such non-compliance, public credit is impaired, and public finances are deranged.

Our Legislature have now under consideration amendments to the Revenue Act. We would suggest that the most certain way of securing efficiency, would be to secure obedience to its provisions.

THE IDAHO WORLD is the name of a new paper published at Idaho City, by I. H. Bowman & Co., and edited by Henry C. Street—a gentleman well known to our readers, and for several years the able and popular District Attorney and County Superintendent of Public Schools for this county. The name of the editor is a sufficient voucher for its orthodoxy in the political world. Mr. Street is a fine writer, a ripe scholar, a sound Democrat, and is deserving of success, which we hope will be awarded him and the World.—[Colusa Sun.]

The country in which the above was written is a bright oasis in the political desert of California. No Republican, not even a candidate for Constable, has ever been elected to office in that county. W. H. Rhodes, of the Virginia Constitutionalist, happily described it as the "Republic of Colusa." "A State bounded on the North by the African Kingdom of Tehama, on the East by the Congo Principality of Sutter, on the South by the Ethiopian Province of Yolo, and on the West by the Gorilla Dukedom of Mendocino. The men are all distinguished for their intelligence—the women for their beauty. The face of the country is generally level, and the lands exceedingly rich. The climate, like the wit of the inhabitants, is exceedingly dry—the atmosphere is so pure that the scent of the Ebo-African never pollutes it. Soot and charcoal are not admitted into the Republic, and thus none of the girl babies have black streaks down their back-bones. The only currency of the country is gold and silver. Honor is not here an article of merchandise. Each citizen boasts of his Constitution, and declares that his proudest inheritance is Liberty. Huzzah for Colusa!"

HOLBROOK AND THE MINT.—A correspondent of the Statesman charges Mr. Holbrook with favoring the location of the proposed Mint. The following extract from a private letter, received by us from Lewiston, dated about the same time, will throw some light on the subject. He wrote:

"Mr. Holbrook is now here working in favor of a Branch Mint at Boise city, or somewhere contiguous. It seems there is a disposition on the part of Governor, and his Republican friends, to take all the credit to themselves, and not allow Holbrook to have even anything to do with it. I will perhaps say more of this hereafter, as I am in possession of some rich developments on the part of the Governor and a certain Doctor."

THE LAST DAYS.—A correspondent of the Walla Walla Statesman, writing from this city, has the following as the result of his experience and observation in this country:

Since the announcement of the result of the election, "order reigns in Warsaw," once more, and most persons seem inclined to pursue the even tenor of their way, with accustomed eye to business profits and pursuits—each on the sharp lookout for the interests of No. 1. This has particular force as regards the outgoing appointees to county offices, among whom the game of "grab" is being played with much vigor and extortionate exaction. Some of them begin to look upon every dollar coming within their grasp, whether allowed by law, as fees, or not, as their special prize, and fasten on to it as personal and "portable" property accordingly.

TAX-PAYERS will find an interesting article in this issue, taken from the Lewiston Age. The Age is the official Republican paper of this Territory, and its statements derived from the Office of the Territorial Auditor, cannot be impugned as Democratic slander. This expose will cause some serious reflection among those who have to pay the taxes.

We have a number of communications on file, which will appear as soon as we can find room for them.

MARRIED:

At Buena Vista Bar, on the 8th inst., by Justice Walker, Mr. J. H. TEETER to Miss MAHALA WILLIAMS.

DIED:

At Buena Vista, on the 9th inst., Louis, adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cooper, aged 2 years and 6 weeks.

At Buena Vista Bar, on Friday morning, 16th inst., Mrs. MINNIE J. wife of Ira F. Powers, aged 26 years, 7 months and 13 days.

California, Maine and New York papers please copy.

At the Dalles, Oregon, Nov. 21st, JOSEPH L. BARLOW, of congestive chills. Deceased was a brother of A. J. Barlow of this city.

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A GRAND BALL, IN CELEBRATION OF

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January, 1865, at

MAGNOLIA HALL, IDAHO CITY!!

Every arrangement will be made for comfort and

enjoyment.

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Vaejin, J. H. Wickersham, PLACERVILLE—P.

W. Lynch, CENTERVILLE—E. Hutchings, PI-

GNIEER—W. W. Chapman, JR. BOISE CITY—J.

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Notice.

THE Subscribers to the Capital Stock of THE

NEW YORK AND IDAHO GOLD AND

SILVER MINING COMPANY, are requested to

meet at the Church, on Commercial street, below

Montgomery, on Thursday, Dec. 22d inst., at two

o'clock P. M. This meeting will decide upon the

price at which the quartz offered to the Company

will be received, and will make further arrange-

ments for the complete organization of the Com-

pany. C. B. WAITE.

Idaho City, December 16th, 1864. 8w1

NOTICE.

WRITTEN PROPOSALS for taking out and

delivering at the mill of Combs & Co., from

one hundred to one thousand tons of rock from

the Juniata Quartz Lode, at the option of the own-

ers of the same, as to quantity, will be received at

the office of the undersigned, from this date until

Thursday evening, December 22d. The Contract

will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

8w1 C. B. WAITE.

Idaho City, December 15th, 1864.

S. P. SCANIKER,

Attorney and Counselor at Law.

Office on East Side of Main Street,

[Near the Terminus of the Bear Run Railroad.]

IDAHO CITY.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Estate of Geo. A. Nuttall, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given by the Undersigned, Admin-

istrator of the above-named estate, to the creditors

of, and all persons having claims against, said deceased,

to exhibit the same with the necessary vouchers within ten

months from this first publication of this notice, to the

undersigned at the "Oreonia Saloon," on Main street,

Idaho city, Boise county, Idaho Territory.

FRANK DAVIS, Administrator.

Idaho City, December 16th, 1864. 8w4

The Great Consolidated Boise

and River G. & S. M. Co. has

NOTICE!

THE Annual Meeting of Stockholders of this

Mining Company, will be held at the office of the

company, No. 333 Montgomery street, San Francisco, Cal-

ifornia, on January 16th, 1865, at 12 o'clock P. M., for

the election of Trustees to serve the ensuing year, and

the transaction of such other business as shall come be-

fore the meeting.

JOS. SOUTHER,

Secretary.